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Involvement of Vidya Bharati In new education policy of the country

Vidya Bharati played a pro-active role in the making of the new education policy of the country. After great indepth discussions suggestions were submitted to the Human Resource Development Ministry. The main theme, on which the suggestions were based, was that the education in India should be India-centred.

Some 2000 seminars, all over the country, were held in which more than 40,000 educationists participated, including heads of institutes, renowned thinkers and the like. A total of around three lakh people were involved. This whole exercise took some nine months.

Among the suggestions made some were: educational institutions, including the ones made by government, should be headed by educationists instead of bureaucrats and others; commercialization must be avoided; stress on quality of education to compete with global standards; make education available to all at affordable cost.

Vidya Bharati feels satisfied with the fact that the draft education policy

published by the ministry has incorporated many of the suggestions made. It is now awaited that how much will appear in the final education policy. $\bullet \bullet$

Vidya Bharati Excels In SGFI

Vidya Bharati students gave an excellent performance in the School Games Federations of India this year. Compared to the year 2016-17, when Vidya Bharati won 189 medals, this year's tally was 308. The details are

Medals	Won2016-172	2017-18
Gold	24	53
Silver	52	90
Bronze	113	165
TOTAL	189	308

Meanwhile, 3 of our boys went to participate in the Asian School Games held in Turkey. One boy and a girl went to Hungary and a boy went to Bangkok to participate in the Junior Asian Athletics competition.

In the recently held 'Khelo India' competition Vidya Bharati students won 13 medals.

Vidya Bharati And Skill Development

Vidya Bharati, through Samarh Shiksha Samiti has joined hands with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to provide skills to 15,120 youth in three years.

As per the Memorandum Of Understanding (MoU) of February 2017 skills are to be provided in Agriculture, Electronic & Hardware, Plumbing, Capital goods, IT-Ites, Automotive, Apparel Beauty & Wellness, Handicraft, Sports, Green Jobs, Domestic Workers, Healthcare.

A separate entity called **Daksh Bharti** has been established, exclusively to look after skill development.

Three projects in Delhi have already been taken up to give training in

- Self employed tailoring
- Data entry operation
- Tally & GST



In Ludhiana one project was undertaken

Data entry operation

In Tamilnadu two projects were undertaken

- Self employed tailoring
- Electronics

One project was undertaken in Nagaland – that of Tally.

Vidya Bharati has proposed to NSDC to allow them to provide School Skill Education for students of Class IX to Class XII. Once this approval comes work will start.



Upcoming events

- The annual general meeting of 2018 of Vidya Bharati is to take place in Satna, Madhya Pradesh, from 6th to 8th April 2018. Some 400 participants are likely to attend from all over the country.
- In view of the need to improve the communication wing of Vidya Bharati a 3-day workshop on media will be held in New Delhi from 28th to 30th April 2018. In this workshop communication heads, correspondents, magazine editors of all regions are expected to attend. Various subjects would be covered by professionals from respective fields.

Your responses to first Newsletter.

 Nice newsletter. Please send me a brief description of a Atal Tinkering Lab.

- Dr. Basant K Taryal

 Newsletter looks great. Congratulations,

- Dr. Ishwar Aggarwal

- Congratulations on the 1st News letter
 - Padam Dhakad